## WYOMING CROP PROGRESS



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# CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION WEEK ENDING MAY 10, 2015

**AGRICULTURAL SUMMARY:** Late-week storms brought above average precipitation to much of the State, boosting soil moisture levels and improving pasture conditions. Reports from Niobrara County indicate more than one foot of snow accumulated from weekend storms. Despite the recent increase in moisture, irrigation water concerns remained as the summer growing season was quickly approaching. In Lincoln County, sheep shearing was behind normal as producers battled adverse weather conditions. Cattle and calf death loss was rated as 45 percent average and 55 percent light. Sheep and lamb death loss was rated as 40 percent average and 60 percent light. Stock water supplies were rated 5 percent short, 92 percent adequate, and 3 percent surplus.

#### **CROP AND LIVESTOCK PROGRESS**

Commodity	Current week Previous week		Previous year	5-year average
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Barley	•		,	
Planted	90	87	86	86
Emerged	69	55	42	50
Corn				
Planted	45	22	42	40
Emerged	13	NA	3	1
Oats				
Planted	68	53	64	65
Emerged	21	7	29	29
Spring wheat				
Planted	76	71	56	55
Emerged	56	43	9	18
Sugarbeets				
Planted	70	47	66	67
Winter wheat				
Jointed	11	2	31	40
Cows calved	90	86	90	90
Ewes lambed	81	77	80	70
Sheep shorn	89	82	90	74

NA - not available

#### PASTURE AND RANGE CONDITION

	Current week	Previous week	Previous year	5-year average
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Pasture and Range	_	_	_	_
Very poor	1	1	1	4
Poor	5	5	7	15
Fair	32	39	19	28
Good	60	53	65	50
Excellent	2	2	8	3

### DAYS SUITABLE FOR FIELDWORK AND SOIL MOISTURE CONDITION

Commodity	Current week	Previous week	Previous year	5-year average
Days suitable for fieldwork	3.8	5.5	3.7	5.1
Topsoil moisture	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Very short	1	2	1	4
Short	32	40	10	19
Adequate	61	55	84	73
Surplus	6	3	5	4
Subsoil moisture				
Very short	4	4		5
Short	31	38	18	18
Adequate	65	58	82	76
Surplus				1

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## **CROP AND LIVESTOCK CONDITION**

Commodity	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Barley			7	80	13
Winter wheat			84	15	1
Irrigation water supply		3	34	54	9
Livestock		1	2	81	16

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Wyoming's weather data can be accessed at the following:

 $\underline{http://www.nass.usda.gov/Statistics\_by\_State/Wyoming/Publications/Crop\_Progress\_\&\_Condition/2015/WY\_Weather\_05102015.pdf}$